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Subject:

North Marin Water District Comments on California Water Plan Update 2005

(Bulletin 160-05)

Dear Mr. Snow:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the California Water Plan Update. North Marin Water District asks that the Regional Reports in Volume 3, pertaining to Chapter 2 - North Coast Hydrologic Region, and Chapter 3 - San Francisco Bay Hydrologic Region, reflect that Marin County receives surface water imported from the Russian River under contract with Sonoma County Water Agency (we also note that the acronyms used in Chapter 3 incorrectly define SCWA as the Sacramento County Water Agency, when in fact this acronym is the Sonoma County Water Agency).

Table 3-1 and Figures 2-1 and 3-1 should be corrected to reflect imported water supply from the Russian River system into Marin County. This Russian River supply is a vital component of Marin County's water supply needs and currently amounts to approximately 17,000 acre-feet (AF) per year combined deliveries to North Marin Water District and Marin Municipal Water District, and which potentially may increase to 28,000 AF per year. I would appreciate that the Water Plan Update be corrected to address this regional water supply transfer.

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